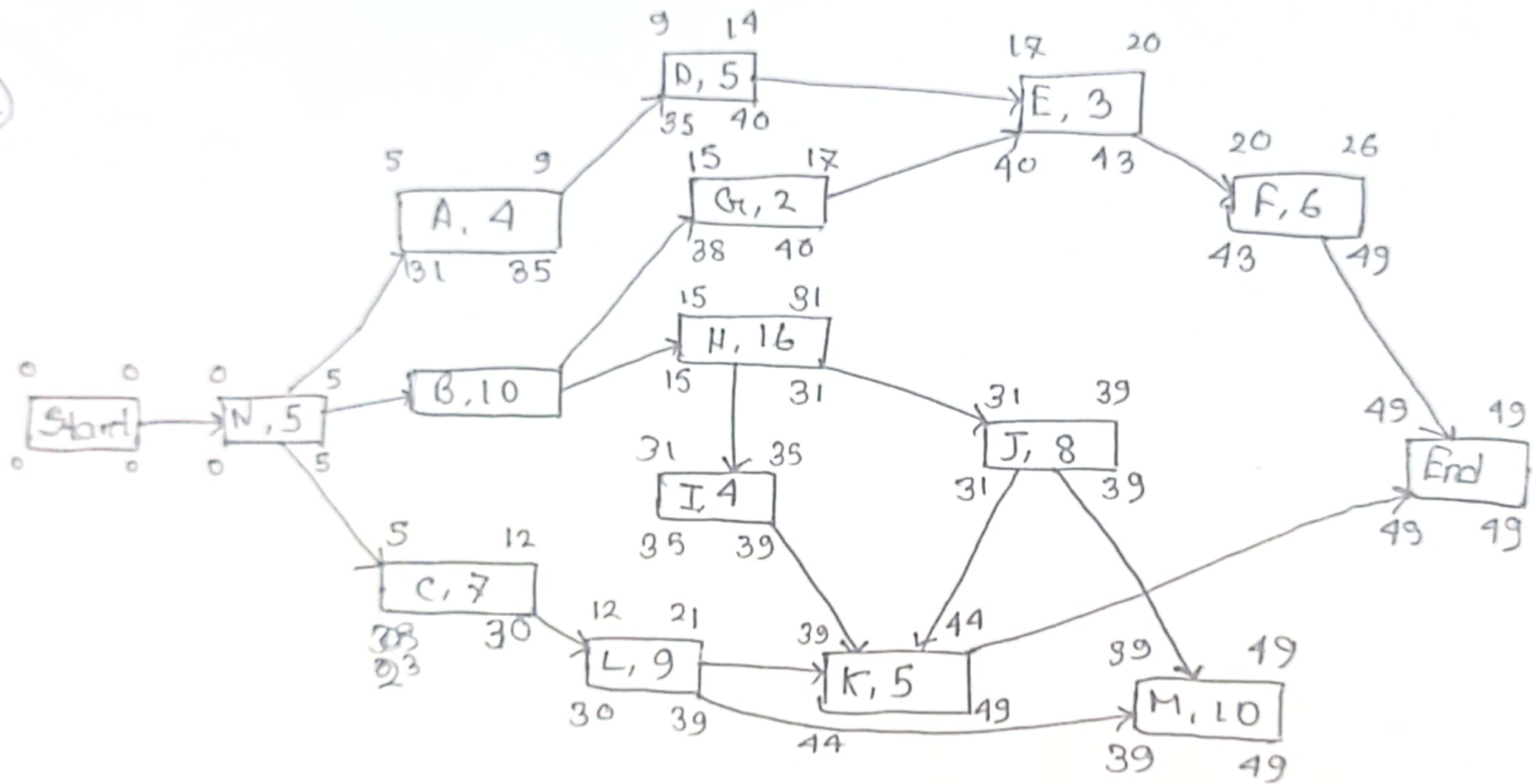


a)



∴ Critical Path:  $N \rightarrow B \rightarrow H \rightarrow J \rightarrow M$

& Project completion time: 49 weeks

b)	Activity	ES	EF	LS	LF	Slack (LF - EF)
	N	0	5	0	5	0
	A	5	9	31	35	26
	B	5	15	5	15	0
	C	5	12	23	30	18
	D	9	14	35	40	26
	E	17	20	40	43	23
	F	20	26	43	49	23
	G	15	17	38	40	23
	H	15	31	15	31	0
	I	31	35	40	44	9
	J	31	39	31	39	0
	K	39	44	39	44	0
	L	12	21	30	39	18
	M	39	49	39	49	0

c) Yes, activity I can be delayed without delaying the project completion time.

activity I is non-critical and has slack = 9 weeks.

$$\& \text{ Savings} = 9 \text{ week} \times \$2500 = \$22500 \quad (\text{Ans})$$

d) Total delay =  $2 + 5 = 7$  weeks.

Activity F has slack = 23 weeks.

So, even a 7 week delay will not affect the project completion time.

e) Activity M is on the critical path and has slack = 0.

Increasing its duration by 6 weeks will increase total project duration.

$\therefore$  New completion time =  $49 + 6 = 55$  weeks. (Ans)